

THE CITY OF CLAYTON

Board of Aldermen
City Hall – 10 N. Bemiston Avenue
February 25, 2014
7:09 p.m.

Minutes

Mayor Sanger called the meeting to order and requested a roll call. The following individuals were in attendance:

Aldermen: Michelle Harris, Andrea Maddox-Dallas, Cynthia Garnholz, Mark Winings, Joanne Boulton, and Alex Berger III.

Mayor Sanger
City Manager Owens
City Attorney O'Keefe

Alderman Garnholz moved to approve the February 11, 2014 minutes. Alderman Maddox-Dallas seconded.

The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

None

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE 1ST QUARTER AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2014 BUDGET

Janet Watson gave a detailed summary on the City's best management practices by providing adjustments on a quarterly basis to the fiscal year budget. She reported as follows:

	FY 2014 Original Budget	FY 2014 1st Quarter Amendment Requested	FY 2014 Budget After This Amendment	% Change
Beginning Fund Balance	\$73,122,297		\$73,122,297	
Revenues	\$45,045,524	\$100,000	\$45,145,524	0.2%
Expenditures	<u>\$48,051,430</u>	<u>\$636,564</u>	<u>\$48,687,994</u>	1.3%
Amendment Net Change		(\$536,564)		
Ending Fund Balance	\$70,116,391		\$69,579,827	

Below are further explanations, presented by fund, of the items included in the amendment.

General Fund

Expenditures - \$17,564 Increase

- The cost for the citizen survey of \$12,000 was mistakenly left out of the original budget.

- Fire overtime needs to increase by a total of \$32,500 per the changes in the Memorandum of Understanding with the fire union as approved by the Board of Aldermen on December 10, 2013.
- The contribution to the CRSWC is being reduced by \$26,936 due to the agreement to transfer the Stuber property to the school district.

Capital Improvement Fund

Revenue -\$100,000 Increase

- The final donation for the Surls art sculpture was originally budgeted in FY13, but was received in FY14.

Expenditures - \$619,000 Increase

- Staff became aware of roof issues at one of the City owned buildings in Oak Knoll Park. After an inspection, it was determined that there was damage to all three building roofs in the park and the City incurred a \$25,000 deductible for the roof repair for the three buildings.
- The project for traffic signal pole painting in the amount of \$50,000 was not completed in FY13, therefore the funds are being added to the budget for FY14.
- The fuel system project in the amount of \$70,000 was originally budgeted for FY13, but has since been moved to FY14 and this amendment increases the budget for this project.
- The Brentwood garage restoration project was partially completed in FY13, therefore the budget is being amended to add the remainder of this project in the amount of \$474,000 to the FY14 budget.

An ordinance is attached incorporating the recommended amendments to the FY14 budget. Exhibit 1-1 provides a fund summary of the effect of the recommended amendments and has been enhanced to provide the percentage effect of the amendment on each fund. Exhibit 1-2 lists the individual budget line items in this quarter's amendment.

Recommendation is to approve the ordinance adopting an amendment to the FY14 budget as proposed.

In response to the Alderman Boulton's questions, Janet Watson explained that there were some overtime changes to the Memorandum of Understanding (agreement) for the Fire Department that went into effect January 6, 2014 and therefore the overtime amount will be slightly larger in 2014 than originally approved.

Janet Watson explained that the city has a fuel system at the city garage and part of this project was started in 2013 by a vendor, but then had "struggles" from that vendor to complete the remainder of the project, therefore the city is seeking a new vendor and anticipates to complete the project in FY2014.

Alderman Harris introduced Bill No. 6432, to approve a 1st Quarter FY2014 Budget amendment, to be read for the first time by title only. Alderman Maddox-Dallas seconded.

City Attorney O'Keefe reads Bill No. 6432, An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget and Appropriating Funds Pursuant Thereto for the first time by title only.

The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Alderman Harris introduced Bill No. 6432, to approve a 1st Quarter FY2014 Budget amendment, to be read for the second time by title only. Alderman Garnholz seconded.

City Attorney O’Keefe reads Bill No. 6432 for the second time by title only; Alderman Harris – Aye; Alderman Maddox-Dallas – Aye; Alderman Garnholz – Aye; Alderman Winings – Aye; Alderman Boulton – Aye; Alderman Berger – Aye; and Mayor Sanger – Aye. The Bill was adopted and became Ordinance No. 6307 of the City of Clayton

A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER SUPPORTING EARTH HOUR 2014 ON MARCH 29th

City Manager Owens reported that the World Wildlife Fund is asking individuals, businesses, governments and organizations around the world to turn off their lights for one hour on Saturday, March 29, 2014, at 8:30 p.m. local time – Earth Hour – to make a global statement of concern about climate change and to demonstrate commitment to finding solutions. The Mayor and Board of Alderman previously voted to join several U.S. cities for action with their light switch by committing to go dark for a similar one-hour period in prior years.

As a leader of “green” initiatives, it is recommended that the City of Clayton continue to be an active participant in and supporter of Earth Hour. This will add our voice to help focus global attention on the need to find solutions to climate change and demonstrate the power to make a difference in the future of the planet. Approval of the resolution will encourage residents and businesses to go dark during this one-hour period where practical, keeping in mind safety considerations.

Additional information about this initiative can be found on the website at www.earthhourus.org

Recommendation is to approve the resolution.

In response to Mayor Sanger’s question, City Manager Owens stated that the information will be provided via the city’s website and a press release will be sent.

Alderman Harris moved to approve Resolution No. 14-02, 2014 Earth Hour-March 29, 2014. Alderman Maddox-Dallas seconded.

The motion was approved by a 5-Aye; 1-Nay (Alderman Winings) vote.

Other

Alderman Maddox-Dallas reported that the Sustainability Committee is seeking more direction from the Board

Alderman Harris commended Jennifer Volk, Unicom, on the great work that they are doing in promoting the ballot issues for the city.

Alderman Berger reminded the Board about the March 5th Community Leaders’ meeting and commented that this is a great opportunity to invite the community to tour the ice rink facilities and hear the proposed ballot initiative for Shaw Park.

Mayor Sanger added that the Mayor’s Youth Advisory Committee (MYAC) will be holding a Neighborhood Trustees’ Leadership to offer their services to build a website for the neighborhoods; also the MYAC is planning to hold a community information meeting with the aldermanic and school board candidates meeting information will be announced soon.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk